

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Yigong SHI et al.
Application No. : 10/521,723
Group Art Unit : 1643
Confirmation No. : 2077
Examiner : Karen A. CANELLA
Filing Date : April 10, 2006

For: IAP BINDING COMPOUNDS

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 1, 2009 in the above identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith and the following amendments and remarks. The Office Action set forth a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. By virtue of payment of the three (3) month extension of time fee submitted herewith, this response is timely filed and is fully responsive to the Examiner's rejection.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.